

GO HUNT Hawai'i

CONNECTING HUNTERS
& RESOURCE MANAGERS

Photo: Brian Howell

This is the eleventh edition of *Go Hunt Hawai'i*, a quarterly newsletter to connect hunters and the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW). [Sign up](#) to stay up to date on announcements, changes to hunting areas, research on animal populations and more.

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Collaboration on Game Bird Projects

Many hands have been involved with game bird rearing and release projects on Kaua'i and O'ahu. From volunteer hunters to Division of Forestry and Wildlife staff and Kupu/AmeriCorps members, all play an important role, including picking up the chicks from the airport, building pens to house the birds, and daily feeding.

There are three main stages to the projects once the chicks arrive from the mainland. First, they settle in brooder cages. Then, they are transferred to game bird fly pens. Once mature, the birds will be released before game bird season, which starts in November.

On O'ahu, a total of 212 ring-necked pheasants arrived in July. Birds will be released at the Kuaokala Game Management Area. On Kaua'i, 600 ring-necked pheasants and 150 melanistic mutant pheasants arrived in June. Staff and volunteers worked hard to rear the game birds, but unfortunately the pheasants on Kaua'i died from botulism while being housed in the fly pens.

For season length, bag limits, and other information for game bird hunts throughout the State, please see [Title 13, Chapter 122, "Rules Regulating Game Bird Hunting, Field Trials, and Commercial Shooting Preserves"](#).



The Division of Forestry and Wildlife would like to thank the volunteers who helped with these projects:

Kaua'i Volunteers

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- Cory Carveiro
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- Chris Coscarella
- Quinn Coscarella
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- Chlorie Igne
- Sean Igne
- Harold Kilborn
- Adam Killerman
- Amy Lauren Lum Won
- Corey Lum Won
- Leslie Sueyasu
- Mark Sueyasu
- Wayne Sueyasu
- Kevin Vidinha
- Makana Vidinha

O'ahu Volunteers

- Glenn Ching
- Jacob K Choo
- Nelson K Choo, Jr.
- Simon Ellerbusch
- Robert Aloha Gannon
- Lloyd Hayashida
- David Kamai
- Gordon Lau, Jr.
- Charlie Lee
- Jade Licudine
- Bruce Matsusaka
- Rodney Mau
- Tom Mendes
- Makaio Roberts
- Tay Soares
- Brian D. Tokunaga
- Bryan Tom
- Justin Thiel

Volunteer Clean Up on Hawai'i Island With Pig Hunters of Hawai'i



On June 22, 2019, approximately 20 volunteers from Hawai'i Island's Pig Hunters of Hawai'i cleaned up trash along Stainback Highway and several forest reserve side roads. Staff from the Division of Forestry and Wildlife assisted with two trucks and a trailer.

The effort cleared 35 tires, metals varying from chopped vehicles to appliances, and miscellaneous litter. Eager hands were happy to give back to a popular hunting area frequented by many of the volunteers. Plans are under way to make this an annual volunteer event at this site. Mahalo to the volunteers.

Announcements

GAME MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION (GMAC)

LĀNA'I

COMMISSION UPDATES

Chair	To be determined	
Members	Josiah Jury	(O'ahu)
	Ryan Kohatsu	(East Hawai'i)
	Kalani Nakoa	(Maui)
	Nelson Rapanot	(Moloka'i)
	Stanley Ruidas	(Lāna'i)
	Nancy Timko	(Member at Large)
	Vacant	(Kaua'i)
	Vacant	(West Hawai'i)
Ex officio (voting) ...	Robert K. Masuda	(Designee for the Chairperson, Board of Land and Natural Resources)

The GMAC is looking to fill the vacant Kaua'i and West Hawai'i Commissioner seats.

If you are interested in serving on the GMAC, please fill out the online application [HERE](#).

GMAC Commissioners act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Land and Natural Resources, which sets policies for the Department.

AXIS DEER SEASON

Dates for the 2020 Lāna'i Axis deer hunting season have been announced.

The deadline for submitting applications will be 4:00 P.M. on Friday, November 1, 2019.

For more information click [HERE](#).

For season length, bag limits, and other information for game mammal hunts throughout the State, please see [Title 13, Chapter 123, "Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting"](#).



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